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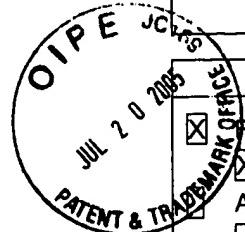
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Application Number	10/001,909
Filing Date	October 31, 2001
First Named Inventor	Luigi Occhipinti
Art Unit	2621
Examiner Name	Shervin K. Nakhjavan
Attorney Docket No.	851763.417



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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2005

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		
	Small Entity		Small Entity		Small Entity		
Application Type	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fees Paid (\$)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

<u>Fee Description</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50 25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200 100
Multiple dependent claims	360 180

<u>Total Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>	<u>Multiple Dependent Claims</u>
-20 or HP =	X	=		<u>Fee (\$)</u> <u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20

<u>Indep. Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>
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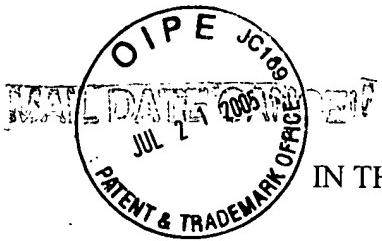
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<u>4. OTHER FEE(S)</u>	<u>Fees Paid (\$)</u>
Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)	_____
Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): <u>Submission of Information Disclosure Statement</u>	<u>180</u>

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PATENT



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Applicant : Luigi Occhipinti
 Application No. : 10/001,909
 Filed : October 31, 2001
 : SMART OPTICAL SENSOR FOR AIRBAG SYSTEMS

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Respectfully submitted,
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIALS	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
CA	5,140,670	08/18/92	Chua et al.	395	24	
AB						
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	TRANSLATION	
					YES	NO
	AK	0 903 672 A2	03/24/99	DE (+ Abstract in English)		
	AL	WO 00/38949	07/06/00	WIPO		
	AM	WO 00/38949 A2	07/06/00	WIPO		
	AN	1 043 682 A1	10/11/00	EP		
	AO	WO 02/30717 A1	04/18/02	WIPO		

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